

FCC REPORT

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CRIME & VIOLENCE

6AM - 2/6

D-C MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY WANTS TO CRACK DOWN ON VIOLENT CRIME. THIS MORNING IN SOUTHEAST-- HE'LL RE-INTRODUCE A TOUGH ANTI-CRIME BILL. THE PROPOSAL WOULD MAKE IT EASIER TO ARREST GANG MEMBERS.. AND IT WOULD STIFFEN THE PENALTIES FOR ILLEGALLY OWNING A GUN. THE MAYOR SAYS THE PROPOSAL IS ALL IN THE NAME OF SAFETY.

6AM - 2/24

MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY SAYS CONSTRUCTION WILL OFFICIALLY START NEXT MONTH, ON A NEW, 220-MILLION DOLLAR CRIME LAB IN THE DISTRICT. THE "COMPREHENSIVE FORENSICS LAB" WILL BE BUILT IN SOUTHWEST -- WHERE THE M-P-D'S FIRST DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS CURRENTLY STANDS. THAT POLICE STATION WILL BE MOVING INTO WHAT USED TO BE BOWEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -- WHICH CLOSED LAST YEAR.

6AM - 3/12

D-N-A TESTS IN TWO MORE CASES BEING REVIEWED IN VIRGINIA DO "NOT" MATCH THE INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED OF THE CRIMES. VIRGINIA FORENSIC OFFICIALS CONFIRM..ONE OF THE CASES WAS IN RICHMOND.. THE OTHER IN THE TIDEWATER AREA. THE TESTS WERE PART OF A REVIEW OF CASES FROM 1973 TO 1988. THE REVIEW WAS ORDERED AFTER FIVE MEN WERE CLEARED OF RAPE CHARGES FROM BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE THAT WAS PRESERVED LONG BEFORE D-N-A TESTING WAS COMMONLY DONE.

12PM - 3/30

THE SECRET SERVICE IS INVESTIGATING EMPLOYEES AT SEVERAL HIGH-END D-C RESTAURANTS FOR ALLEGEDLY STEALING CUSTOMER'S CREDIT CARD NUMBERS. SIX SERVERS ARE IMPLICATED IN THE CASE. THEY'RE ACCUSED OF RUNNING UP A 750-THOUSAND DOLLAR TAB AT STORES LIKE GUCCI AND BARNEY'S OF NEW YORK. THE NATIONAL HARBOR'S MAIN HOTEL, 701 RESTAURANT, AND CLYDE'S OF GALLERY PLACE ARE SOME OF THE RESTAURANTS INCLUDED IN THE INVESTIGATION.

5PM - 2/4

A VIRGINIA MAN FACES CHARGES TONIGHT AFTER AN INTERNET SEX BUST BY PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE. JOHN GIBBS WAS ARRESTED THURSDAY. INVESTIGATORS SAY HE EMAILED EXPLICIT WEB CAM PHOTOS OF HIMSELF TO A PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY DETECTIVE POSING AS A 14-YEAR-OLD GIRL. GIBBS WILL FACE A JUDGE LATER THIS MONTH.

5PM - 3/5

WASHINGTON-AREA LAW ENFORCEMENT BUSTED AT LEAST FIVE MEN FOR CHILD PROSTITUTION BY POSTING ADS ON CRAIGSLIST. THE ADS DESCRIBED FATHERS SELLING THEIR 14-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTERS FOR SEX, AND MOTHERS SELLING DAUGHTERS AS YOUNG AS EIGHT. WITHIN HOURS, DETECTIVES SAY THEY GOT HUNDREDS OF RESPONSES. AMONG THEM, A WEST VIRGINIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER WHO PLEADED GUILTY ON FRIDAY.

5PM - 3/10

O SPOTSYLVANIA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE UNDER ARREST ACCUSED OF HAVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ON THEIR CELL PHONES! POLICE SAY THE THE 18 AND 15-YEAR-OLDS CONVINCED YOUNG GIRLS TO POSE FOR THE PHOTOS. ONE OF THEM WAS STILL IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL! IN ALL... SEVEN PHONES CONTAINING ILLEGAL IMAGES HAVE BEEN SEIZED AS PART OF THE INVESTIGATION.

6PM - 2/20

BALTIMORE POLICE HAVE MADE THE LARGEST COCAINE BUST IN THE CITY'S HISTORY. POLICE FOUND 41 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE, VALUED AT TWO TO THREE MILLION DOLLARS, IN A SOUTHWEST BALTIMORE HOME. OFFICERS BELIEVE THE DRUGS WERE GOING TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO OTHER PARTS OF MARYLAND.

11PM - 2/21

POLICE ARRESTED A LEESBURG MAN WHO THEY SAY WAS RUNNING A NATIONWIDE PROSTITUTION RING OUT OF HIS HOME. 37-YEAR-OLD YUL-NA FACES UP TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON IF CONVICTED. THE LOUDOUN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SAYS THE RING USED WEB SITES INCLUDING CRAIGS LIST TO OFFER SERVICES *FROM HUNDREDS OF WOMEN. NA IS BEING HELD WITHOUT BOND.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

6AM - 1/30

THE FAIRFAX CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR ARE CUTTING THEIR OWN PAY.. TO HELP EASE THE CITY'S 15-MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET DEFICIT. THE MEASURE WAS APPROVED THIS WEEK IN A FOUR-TO-THREE VOTE. THE ACTION IS LARGELY SYMBOLIC.. SINCE THE SIX COUNCIL MEMBERS RECEIVE ONLY 45-HUNDRED DOLLARS A YEAR. THE MAYOR GETS 65-HUNDRED. ALL ARE PART-TIME POSITIONS.

6AM - 3/30

SOME NORTHERN VIRGINIA RESIDENTS UPSET ABOUT REAL ESTATE TAX HIKES.. ARE MAKING THEIR VOICES HEARD. THEY PLAN TO PROTEST TONIGHT.. AT THE FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER. THE RALLY BEGINS AT SIX P.M., AT THE START OF THE COUNTY'S BUDGET HEARINGS. REPUBLICANS UNITED FOR TAX RELIEF" IS ORGANIZING THE RALLY. THE GROUP IS INVITING TAXPAYERS FROM ALL LOCALITIES IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA TO TAKE PART.

6AM - 3/25

A BATTLE IS BREWING OVER VIRGINIA'S SHARE OF FEDERAL STIMULUS MONEY. THE STATE'S REPUBLICAN LAWMAKERS ARE URGING GOVERNOR TIM Kaine TO *REJECT* 125-MILLION DOLLARS IN GOVERNMENT CASH. IN ORDER TO GET THE MONEY... LEGISLATORS WOULD HAVE TO CHANGE THE STATE LAW TO EXPAND UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TO MANY PEOPLE WHO DON'T CURRENTLY QUALIFY. REPUBLICANS SAY BUSINESSES WOULD HAVE TO PAY FOR THOSE EXPANDED BENEFITS WHEN THE STIMULUS MONEY RAN OUT.

12PM - 1/21

MARYLAND GOVERNOR MARTIN O'MALLEY IS SET TO UNVEIL HIS BUDGET PROPOSAL TODAY. LAST WEEK O'MALLEY SAID THE BUDGET WOULD HAVE MORE CUTS THAN ANY OTHER BUDGET IN THE PAST. STATE LEADERS ARE TRYING TO CLOSE A ONE-POINT-NINE BILLION DOLLAR BUDGET GAP. THE NEW BUDGET PLANS MAY INCLUDE LAYOFFS. LAWMAKERS ARE ALSO CONSIDERING REDUCTIONS IN AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

12PM - 1/29

MORE TAX TROUBLES FOR D-C COUNCIL MEMBER MARION BARRY. THE FORMER MAYOR FILED TO FILE FEDERAL OR CITY TAX FORMS FOR 2007. THIS ISN'T THE FIRST TIME BARRY HASN'T FILED HIS TAX FORMS. HE WAS PLACED ON PROBATION.... AFTER PLEADING GUILTY TO TWO MISDEMEANOR TAX CHARGES IN 2005. THE PROBATION EXPIRES IN MARCH.

12PM - 3/25

D-C MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY IS PROPOSING MAKING EMANCIPATION DAY AN OPTIONAL PRIVATE HOLIDAY. THE APRIL 16-TH DATE COMMEMORATES THE 18-62 SIGNING OF THE COMPENSATED EMANCIPATION ACT WHICH FREED MORE THAN 3-THOUSAND SLAVES IN THE DISTRICT. MAYOR FENTY SAYS MAKING THE HOLIDAY OPTIONAL WILL SAVE THE CITY 1-POINT-3 MILLION DOLLARS, AND WOULD KEEP GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND SCHOOLS OPEN.

6PM - 2/3

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL WILL SCHEDULE A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL DON PRAISNER'S COUNCIL SEAT. PRAISNER DIED LAST WEEK AFTER UNDERGOING SURGERY FOR COLON CANCER. BEFORE HIS SURGERY, PRAISNER WROTE A LETTER ASKING THE COUNCIL TO APPOINT HIS SUCCESSOR INSTEAD OF HOLDING A COSTLY SPECIAL ELECTION. IN THIS CASE, THE COUNTY IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION.

6PM - 2/6

THEY'RE TWO OF THE MOST POPULAR SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES ON THE INTERNET. BUT *NOT* FOR MARYLAND LAWMAKERS. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY VOTED TO BAN 'FACEBOOK' AND 'MYSPACE' FROM ITS STATE HOUSE COMPUTERS. LAWMAKERS SAY THEY'VE SEEN A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN VIRUSES...LINKED TO THE SITES. THEY'LL BE LOOKING FOR OTHER POTENTIALLY HARMFUL WEBSITES TO ADD TO THE BLOCKED LIST.

6PM - 3/14

D-C TAXPAYERS DIDN'T FOOT THE BILL FOR MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY'S RECENT TRIPS TO CHINA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. CITY OFFICIALS SAY THE GOVERNMENTS OF THOSE COUNTRIES PAID FOR FENTY'S TRAVEL EXPENSES...AND THAT FENTY PAID FOR HIS WIFE AND SONS TO JOIN HIM. THE MAYOR SAYS HE DID MEET WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS DURING HIS VISIT TO THOSE COUNTRIES.

6PM - 3/21

THE D-C GOVERNMENT IS LOOKING TO CUT COSTS AND THAT MEANS THE CITY WILL ELIMINATE MORE THAN 16-HUNDRED JOBS CITY OFFICIALS SAY 776 JOBS WILL BE CUT THROUGH LAY-OFFS. 398 WILL BE ELIMINATED THROUGH ATTRITION. AND 458 OPEN POSITIONS WILL BE CUT. THE JOB CUTS ARE OUTLINED IN MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2010. THE COUNCIL CAN MAKE CHANGES TO THE BUDGET BEFORE ITS SENT TO CONGRESS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

5AM - 2/23

A CENTREVILLE MAN ACCUSED OF PROVIDING HIS GIRLFRIEND A DEADLY DOSE OF HEROIN, HAS SURRENDERED TO FEDERAL AUTHORITIES. 20-YEAR-OLD SKYLAR SCHNIPPEL ALLEGEDLY GAVE 19-YEAR-OLD ALICIA LANNES A FATAL DOSE OF HEROIN LAST MARCH. SCHNIPPEL IS ALLEGEDLY PART OF A NORTHERN VIRGINIA DRUG RING THAT IS SAID TO INCLUDE CURRENT AND FORMER STUDENTS AT WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL.

6AM - 2/3

FEWER YOUNG PEOPLE ARE SMOKING MARIJUANA THESE DAYS. THAT'S THE FINDING OF A STUDY OF 15-YEAR-OLDS IN THE U.S., CANADA, AND 28 MOSTLY EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THE STUDY WAS CONDUCTED FROM 2002 TO 2008. THE RESEARCHERS ALSO FOUND THAT TEENS ARE GOING OUT LESS OFTEN AT NIGHT WITH FRIENDS. THE STUDY IS PUBLISHED IN THE "ARCHIVES OF PEDIATRICS AND ADOLESCENT MEDICINE."

6AM - 3/26

THE GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER TEAM AT LAKE BRADDOCK HIGH SCHOOL IS DOWN SOME SERIOUS NUMBERS. 16 PLAYERS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN SUSPENDED FROM SCHOOL AFTER A DRINKING PARTY EARLIER THIS MONTH. FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL POLICY MANDATES A 30-DAY SUSPENSION FOR DRINKING VIOLATIONS, THOUGH ITS NOT CLEAR HOW MANY OF THE PLAYERS ACTUALLY CONSUMED ALCOHOL. SCHOOL OFFICIALS ARE INVESTIGATING REPORTS OF HAZING AT THE PARTY.

6PM - 2/24

A MARYLAND FAST FOOD WORKER IS ACCUSED OF SELLING MORE THAN JUST BURGERS AND FRIES. POLICE SAY 27-YEAR-OLD DOUGLAS BRICE ALSO SOLD MARIJUANA THROUGH THE DRIVE-THRU WINDOW AT THIS EDGEWATER MCDONALDS. OFFICERS SET UP A STING AFTER GETTING A TIP ABOUT HIS ACTIVITIES. BRICE WAS ARRESTED ONCE AN UNDERCOVER OFFICER GOT HIS SPECIAL ORDER.

6PM - 3/28

A MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE OFFICER HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE. POLICE WERE CALLED TO THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT ON NORTHBOUND ROUTE 270 WHERE A POLICE CRUISER HAD STRUCK A CONCRETE BARRIER. CORPORAL FERNANDO MARTINEZ WAS DRIVING THE VEHICLE AND WAS NOT HURT. OFFICERS SAY THEY SMELLED ALCOHOL AND GAVE MARTINEZ A BREATHALYZER TEST. MARTINEZ IS A 33 YEAR VETERAN OF THE DEPARTMENT.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

6AM - 3/5

MICHELLE OBAMA WILL SPEND HER LUNCH HOUR AT A FACILITY THAT SERVES D-C'S HOMELESS. THE FIRST LADY IS SCHEDULED TO BE AT MIRIAM'S KITCHEN IN NORTHWEST, THIS AFTERNOON. MRS. OBAMA IS EXPECTED TO SPEAK ABOUT THE NEED TO SUPPORT FOOD BANKS AND SOUP KITCHENS, STRAINED BY THE STRUGGLING ECONOMY.

6AM - 3/23

MANY HOMEOWNERS CHOOSE TO LIVE IN CUL-DE-SACS.. BECAUSE THEY OFFER SECURITY, AND A SENSE OF COMMUNITY. BUT NEW RULES IN VIRGINIA ARE TARGETING CUL-DE-SACS. THE STATE HAS DECIDED THAT ALL NEW SUBDIVISIONS MUST HAVE "THROUGH" STREETS LINKING THEM WITH NEIGHBORING SUBDIVISIONS, SCHOOLS, AND SHOPPING AREAS. STATE OFFICIALS SAY THE REGULATIONS WILL MEAN QUICKER RESPONSE BY EMERGENCY VEHICLES.. AND LOWER ROAD MAINTENANCE COSTS.

6AM - 3/30

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6PM - 2/12

THERE'S NEW RESEARCH THAT HAS SOME GOOD SIGNS FOR THE HOUSING CRISIS IN VIRGINIA. DATA RELEASED BY REALTY TRAC SHOWS THAT FORECLOSURES IN VIRGINIA FELL BY 30 PERCENT IN JANUARY. THE DROP COULD BE CONNECTED TO MORATORIUMS ON FORECLOSURE SALES. THE NUMBER OF FORECLOSURES IN VIRGINIA WAS STILL 82-PERCENT HIGHER THAN A YEAR AGO.

6PM - 3/18

NEW HOUSING IS AVAILABLE FOR THE HOMELESS IN THE DISTRICT. TODAY MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY OFFICIALLY OPENED THE NAYLOR ROAD TEMPORARY HOUSING. THE 28-UNITS PROVIDE SHELTER FOR FAMILIES. AN ADDITIONAL 80 FAMILIES ARE BEING PLACED IN PERMANENT HOUSING. A RECENT COUNT FOUND A 12-PERCENT DECLINE IN CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, AND A 42 PERCENT DROP IN STREET HOMELESS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

HEALTH & HEALTH CARE

6AM - 2/16

INOVA FAIRFAX HOSPITAL IS TAKING STEPS TO EASE OVERCROWDING. HOSPITAL OFFICIALS SAY THEY PLAN TO TRANSFER ABOUT 90 CHRONIC LUNG PATIENTS TO A Y-M-C-A IN RESTON NEXT MONTH. THAT WILL INCREASE SPACE FOR A GROWING NUMBER OF ACUTE-CARE PATIENTS. SOME OF THE LUNG PATIENTS SAT THAT WHILE "Y" IS WELL-EQUIPPED.. IT DOES NOT PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF CARE THEY RECEIVE AT THE HOSPITAL.

12PM - 2/16

MORE THAN NINETY CHRONIC LUNG PATIENTS AT INOVA FAIRFAX HOSPITAL WILL SOON BE RECEIVING THERAPY AT THE RESTON Y-M-C-A. THEY ARE PART OF A SPECIAL PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES REGULAR PULMONARY EXERCISE. OFFICIALS SAY MOVING THEM WILL CREATE MORE SPACE AT THE HOSPITAL. BUT SOME PATIENTS TELL THE WASHINGTON TIMES THEY DON'T THINK THEY WILL RECEIVE THE SAME LEVEL OF CARE THEY DO AT THE HOSPITAL.

12PM - 3/23

AN ONLINE SECURITY BREACH HAS LEAKED THE HEALTH INFORMATION OF HUNDREDS OF LOCAL PATIENTS. A FILING ERROR IN MARYLAND'S FEDERAL COURT LED TO THE BREACH. THE INFORMATION WAS INCLUDED IN WARRANT REQUESTS TO SEARCH DOCTORS' OFFICES ACROSS MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA. THE WARRANTS WERE ACCESSIBLE THROUGH AN ONLINE DATABASE AND INCLUDED 42 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS.

5PM - 2/2

THE FLU IS GETTING OFF TO A SLOW START... EVERYWHERE BUT IN VIRGINIA. THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL SAYS VIRGINIA IS THE FIRST STATE IN THE NATION TO REPORT A WIDESPREAD OUTBREAK OF THE FLU. AND STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS SAY WE CAN EXPECT A HIGH INCIDENCE FOR THE NEXT SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS.

6PM - 2/2

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS BELIEVE A NOROVIRUS OUTBREAK ON CAMPUS IS NOW OVER. 36 STUDENTS LIVING ON CAMPUS, GOT SICK BETWEEN JANUARY 21ST AND LAST WEDNESDAY. HEALTH OFFICIALS CONFIRMED THE NOROVIRUS AND THE SCHOOL SANITIZED SEVERAL BUILDINGS. THEY BELIEVE THE OUTBREAK IS OVER BECAUSE IT'S BEEN MORE THAN 72 HOURS SINCE THE LAST CASE WAS REPORTED.

6PM - 2/18

VIRGINIA WILL SPEND ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO FUND A GRANT... TO HELP TREAT PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES. THE MONEY COMES FROM THE COMMONWEALTH'S SETTLEMENTS WITH TWO PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT COMPANIES. THE FUNDING WILL EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF PRESCRIPTIONS, BASIC MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE.

6PM - 3/28

MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH OFFICIALS CONFIRMED A CASE OF RED MEASLES IN THE COUNTY. THE COUNTY NOTIFIED PATIENTS AT SHADY GROVE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPOSED. ONLY PATIENTS WHO WERE IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT LATE ON MARCH 12TH OR EARLY ON MARCH 13 COULD HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO THE VIRUS.

11PM - 3/14

A SILVER SPRING PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL HAS BEEN CITED FOR SAFETY ISSUES. SAINT LUKE INSTITUTE TREATS CATHOLIC CLERGY MEMBERS. A REPORT BY THE MARYLAND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAYS THE HOSPITAL DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH STAFF TO MONITOR PATIENTS, POORLY STORED MEDICINES... AND LEFT SUICIDAL PATIENTS IN UNSAFE AREAS. THE HOSPITAL PERSIDENT SAYS THERE IS A PLAN TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS.

11PM - 3/22

VIRGINIA IS LAUNCHING NEW EFFORTS TO REACH OUT TO PEOPLE WHO MAY BE H-I-V POSITIVE AND NOT KNOW IT. THE DIRECTOR OF DISEASE PREVENTION SAYS THE STATE WILL SET UP TESTING IN EMERGENCY ROOMS AND CLINICS THAT DIDN'T HAVE TESTING AVAILABLE. SPECIAL TESTING SITES WILL BE SET UP IN FAIRFAX, ARLINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA STARTING APRIL THIRD.

RACIAL, ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS & SEXUAL

6AM - 3/25

IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT... THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE IS CALLING ON PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TO ADDRESS DISPARITIES FACING THE COUNTRY'S AFRICAN-AMERICAN CITIZENS. THEY ARE TWICE AS LIKELY TO BE UNEMPLOYED AND MORE THAN SIX TIMES AS LIKELY TO WIND UP BEHIND BARS. MISTER OBAMA HAS SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT CAN HELP MINORITIES BY IMPROVING EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND HEALTH CARE. BUT THE URBAN LEAGUE WANTS DETAILS.

12PM - 2/26

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES IN BERWYN HEIGHTS WILL SOON BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS. THE BENEFITS, APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE LAST WEEK, WILL COVER BOTH UNMARRIED SAME, AND OPPOSITE SEX COUPLES.

THE TOWN WILL PROVIDE THE SAME BENEFITS AS MARRIED COUPLES TO DOMESTIC PARTNERS, INCLUDING MEDICAL, SURGICAL, PRESCRIPTION AND DENTAL BENEFITS.

5PM - 3/31

A FORMER VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER IS SUING THE {tawny town} TANEYTOWN FIRE COMPANY FOR A MILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS, ALLEGING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. PERNELL HAMMOND, WHO IS BLACK, SAYS HE WAS MOCKED WHEN HE ASKED THAT RACIST SONGS DOWNLOADED ONTO A COMPANY COMPUTER BE REMOVED. HAMMOND ALSO SAYS HIS MANAGER ENCOURAGED RACIST JOKES. THE FIRE COMPANY SAYS IT'S NOT AWARE OF THE LAWSUIT. IT WAS FILED IN FEDERAL COURT LAST WEEK.

6PM - 3/13

THE N DOUBLE A-C-P WANTS TO SUE WELLS FARGO AND H-S-B-C. THE CIVIL RIGHTS GROUP PLANS TO FILE A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT, CLAIMING THE BANKS FORCED MORE AFRICAN AMERICANS INTO SUBPRIME MORTGAGES WHILE OFFERING WHITE HOMEBUYERS BETTER RATES. WELLS FARGO SAYS THE N DOUBLE A-C-P'S CLAIMS ARE UNFOUNDED AND RECKLESS. H-S-B-C SAYS IT TREATS ALL ITS CUSTOMERS FAIRLY.

EDUCATION

5AM - 2/17

THIS MORNING.. MARYLAND GOVERNOR MARTIN O'MALLEY PLANS TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF A STATEWIDE SURVEY OF TEACHERS. THE SURVEY WILL BE USED TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE TEACHING AND LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS THROUGHOUT MARYLAND. O'MALLEY IS SET TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT AT GERMANTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN ANNAPOLIS.. AT 9:45 A.M.

8:25A - 3/27

EIGHT PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS ARE NOW SLATED TO CLOSE. YESTERDAY'S VOTE BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CAME AFTER TWO MONTHS OF DEBATE OVER THE PLAN. THE MOVE IS EXPECTED TO SAVE THE SCHOOL SYSTEM ALMOST SIX-MILLION DOLLARS.

12PM - 3/30

IT COULD BE KHAKIS AND POLO SHIRTS FOR D-C STUDENTS NEXT SCHOOL YEAR, THANKS TO A NEW DRESS CODE POLICY. SCHOOL CHANCELLOR MICHELLE RHEE'S ENACTED A MORE DETAILED POLICY THAT LEAVES THE DECISION UP TO EACH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL. IT ALSO ALLOWS THEM TO PENALIZE STUDENTS WHO VIOLATE THE BAN ON HATS, BARE MIDRIFTS OR BACKS, AND TANK TOPS.

5PM - 2/10

HE ECONOMIC CRISIS MEANS D-C TEACHERS WILL *NOT* GET THEIR PROMISED RAISES. SCHOOLS CHANCELLOR MICHELLE RHEE HAD OFFERED THE WASHINGTON TEACHERS UNION "TIERED" RAISES OF AT LEAST 28 PERCENT OVER FIVE YEARS. BUT RHEE NOW SAYS THE CITY EXPECTS TO COLLECT AT LEAST 456 MILLION DOLLARS LESS IN TAX REVENUE IN FISCAL 20-10. SHE PLANS TO SUBMIT A REVISED PAY OFFER SOON.

5PM - 3/19

LARGER CLASS SIZES COULD BE COMING TO PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS. THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVED A 782-MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET. ALONG WITH UPPING THE STUDENT TO TEACHER RATIO, IT COULD CUT SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS. BUT IT AVOIDS DEEPER CUTS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED AND GIVES TEACHERS A 3-PERCENT RAISE, THANKS TO 25-MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE FEDERAL STIMULUS.

6PM - 3/5

THE U.S. EDUCATION SECRETARY SAYS UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN GETTING VOUCHERS FOR PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN D.C... SHOULDN'T BE PULLED OUT OF SCHOOL. ARNE DUNCAN'S POSITION IS AT ODDS WITH CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATS TRYING TO END THE FEDERAL VOUCHER PROGRAM. DUNCAN OPPOSES VOUCHERS. BUT HE TELLS THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.. D.C. IS A SPECIAL CASE. HE SAYS IT'S A MISTAKE TO TAKE CHILDREN OUT OF A SCHOOL WHERE THEY'RE HAPPY AND SAFE.

6PM - 2/7

THREE D-C ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS MAY CLOSE THEIR DOORS FOR GOOD AT THE END OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR. CITY LEADERS PLAN TO CLOSE BIRNEY, DRAPER AND WEBB ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO SAVE RESOURCES AND IMPROVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS. STUDENTS WHO WOULD HAVE ATTENDED BIRNEY WOULD BE SENT TO SAVOY ELEMENTARY. STUDENTS FROM WEBB WOULD BE RE-ASSIGNED TO WHEATLEY. AND THE KIDS FROM DRAPER WOULD GO TO FEREBEE-HOPE ELEMENTARY.

6PM - 2/23

IF YOU WANT TO LOCK IN COLLEGE TUITION COSTS, VIRGINIA IS GIVING YOU SOME EXTRA TIME. THE VIRGINIA COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN DEADLINE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AT THE END OF THE MONTH, BUT IT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO MARCH 15TH. ORGANIZERS EXTENDED THE DEADLINE BECAUSE INTEREST IN THE PROGRAM IS UP 15 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR. THE PROGRAM LETS PARENTS LOCK IN TODAY'S TUITION RATES FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S FUTURE EDUCATION.

EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMY

5AM - 2/16

PLANS TO MOVE D.C. UNITED TO PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY ARE TAKING ANOTHER STEP FORWARD. TWO STATE LAWMAKERS HAVE INTRODUCED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ENABLE THE TEAM TO WORK WITH THE MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY TO BUILD A STADIUM THERE. OFFICIALS WILL UNVEIL THE PLAN DURING A NEWS CONFERENCE THIS MORNING IN LARGO. PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY OFFICIALS SAY THE STADIUM WOULD GENERATE UP TO 80-MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR.. AND CREATE ABOUT A THOUSAND JOBS.

6AM - 2/19

IF THE ECONOMY IS STRESSING YOU OUT -- YOU'RE NOT ALONE. A NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL SHOWS PEOPLES' FEARS ABOUT LOSING THEIR JOB OR NOT BEING ABLE TO PAY THEIR BILLS ARE GROWING. NEARLY HALF OF THE PEOPLE SURVEYED SAY THEY'RE WORRIED ABOUT BECOMING UNEMPLOYED. THAT'S ALMOST *DOUBLE* LAST YEAR'S NUMBER. ABOUT THREE-QUARTERS OF THE PARTICIPANTS SAID THEY KNOW SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN LAID-OFF IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS.

7:56A - 3/27

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A JOB... YOU'LL WANT TO ATTEND THIS MORNING'S CAREER FAIR IN THE DISTRICT. IT WILL BE HELD AT THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTER FROM 10A-M - 3P-M. THAT'S AT 13-HUNDRED PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NORTHWEST. AMONG THE EMPLOYERS LOOKING TO HIRE... THE F-B-I, AFLAC AND LOCKHEED MARTIN.

12PM - 3/12

SOME MARYLAND STATE EMPLOYEE JOBS ARE ON THE LINE AGAIN. THAT'S BECAUSE THE PROJECTED REVENUE FELL 516-MILLION DOLLARS MORE THAN EXPECTED.. WITH AN EXPECTED DROP IN INCOME TAX AND SALES TAX COLLECTIONS. THAT MEANS LAWMAKERS WILL HAVE TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT SPENDING CUTS THAT MAY INCLUDE LAYOFFS FOR STATE LAWMAKERS, TO CLOSE THE ONE-POINT-TWO BILLION DOLLAR SHORTFALL. IT WAS THOUGHT LAST MONTH THAT THE FEDERAL STIMULUS COULD HELP STEM THE CUTS.

5PM - 2/10

D-C PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARE FEELING THE SQUEEZE OF THE TIGHT ECONOMY. OFFICIALS ARE CONSIDERING CUTTING BRANCH HOURS, TO SAVE MONEY. THE PROPOSED CHANGES INCLUDE SLASHING AS MANY AS EIGHT HOURS FROM SOME LIBRARIES' SCHEDULES. IF APPROVED, THE NEW HOURS WOULD TAKE EFFECT IN MARCH. A DECISION IS EXPECTED LATER THIS WEEK.

5PM - 3/23

THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA WILL CLOSE MOST OF ITS PUBLIC COMPUTER LABS OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS, IN ORDER TO CLOSE A BUDGET GAP. OFFICIALS BLAME THE ECONOMY FOR SPEEDING UP AN EXISTING PLAN TO CLOSE SOME OF THE LABS. IT'S NOT CLEAR HOW MUCH MONEY THE MOVE WILL SAVE, OR HOW MANY STUDENTS WOULD BE AFFECTED. A U-V-A REPORT FOUND THAT 99 PERCENT OF THE CLASS OF 20-12 BROUGHT THEIR OWN LAPTOPS TO SCHOOL.

6PM - 1/23

D-C OFFICIALS HOPE CLOSING THE DISTRICT'S COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY WILL SAVE THE CITY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THE AGENCY CARES FOR FOUR THOUSAND MENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN, WHO WOULD BE SENT TO PRIVATE CLINICS. THE CITY BELIEVES IT CAN SAVE BETWEEN ELEVEN AND 14 MILLION DOLLARS BY CLOSING THE FACILITY. 300 PEOPLE WOULD LOSE THEIR JOBS.

6PM - 3/21

THE D-C GOVERNMENT IS LOOKING TO CUT COSTS AND THAT MEANS THE CITY WILL ELIMINATE MORE THAN 1600 JOBS CITY OFFICIALS SAY 776 JOBS WILL BE CUT THROUGH LAY-OFFS. 398 WILL BE ELIMINATED THROUGH ATTRITION. AND 458 OPEN POSITIONS WILL BE CUT. THE JOB CUTS ARE OUTLINED IN MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2010. THE COUNCIL CAN MAKE CHANGES TO THE BUDGET BEFORE ITS SENT TO CONGRESS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

FAMILY ISSUES

12PM - 2/16

VIRGINIA STATE POLICE WANT YOU TO BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR A FAKE AMBER ALERT TEXT MESSAGE THAT HAS BEEN CIRCULATING OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS. IT READS AS FOLLOWS: "A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD GIRL WAS TAKEN BY A MAN DRIVING A NEWER SILVER TRUCK. THE LICENSE PLATE READS 7-2-B-3-8-1...PLEASE, PLEASE PASS IT ON." AUTHORITIES DO NOT WANT YOU TO PASS IT ON. POLICE SAY AMBER ALERTS USUALLY CONTAIN MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION.

6PM - 2/23

IF YOU WANT TO LOCK IN COLLEGE TUITION COSTS, VIRGINIA IS GIVING YOU SOME EXTRA TIME. THE VIRGINIA COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN DEADLINE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AT THE END OF THE MONTH, BUT IT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO MARCH 15TH.

ORGANIZERS EXTENDED THE DEADLINE BECAUSE INTEREST IN THE PROGRAM IS UP 15 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR. THE PROGRAM LETS PARENTS LOCK IN TODAY'S TUITION RATES FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S FUTURE EDUCATION.

ELDERLY & AGING

12PM - 2/13

WATCH OUT FOR A GROUP OF SCAM ARTISTS. MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE SAY IT'S TARGETING THE ELDERLY. AND THEY'VE ALREADY STRUCK IN ROCKVILLE, GAITHERSBURG, AND BETHESDA. EACH TIME, A SUSPECT CONVINCES THE HOME OWNER TO JOIN HIM IN THE BASEMENT FOR A FAKE INSPECTION ON WATER PIPES. THEN POLICE SAY TWO OTHER MEN RANSACK AND ROB THE HOME.

5PM - 3/16

POLICE HAVE MADE A THIRD ARREST IN THE MURDERS OF AN ELDERLY D-C COUPLE. D-C POLICE ARRESTED JOSE PORTILLO OVER THE WEEKEND. PORTILLO, ALONG WITH PIERO FUENTES HERNANDEZ AND ANGELA HERNANDEZ, ALLEGEDLY TIED UP AND BEAT MICHAEL AND VIRGINIA SPEVAK TO DEATH LAST NOVEMBER. PROSECUTORS HAVE SAID THE MURDERS BEGAN AS A BURGLARY. PIERO FUENTES HERNANDEZ HAS PLEADED GUILTY TO TWO COUNTS OF MURDER. ANGELA HERNANDEZ IS STILL FACING TRIAL FOR MURDER.

WABA Ascertainment 2009

Presented By: John Quinn

Stations Present:

WJLA/NC8, Citadel Radio WMAL, WRQX, WMET, WUSA, WJFX, WMZQ, WTOP, WRC, WHUR, WFED, WASH FM, DC101, WAVA, Radio One

AAA

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DC has the 2nd worst gridlock in the US. Vehicle travel is down in the metro area. The US is driving billions of miles less across the country since December 2007. This coincided with increase in gas prices.

People paid an average of \$200 more per month for gas. This has had a direct impact on consumer spending. He feels that consumer spending is up now because gas prices are down. AAA projects that vacation travel will be up by 4% this year because of lower gas prices.

Issues:

1. Transportation and construction projects = massive gridlock
2. Additional funding for Metro is needed
3. Pedestrian Safety motorcycle fatalities are both up. Something is needed biliguually to address the problem

Bread for the City

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George Jones, Executive Director

The mission of Bread for the City is to provide vulnerable residents of Washington, DC, with comprehensive services, including food, clothing medical care, and legal and social services, in an atmosphere of dignity and respect. They recognize that all people share a common humanity, and that all are responsible to themselves and to society as a whole. Therefore, Bread for the City promotes the mutual collaboration of clients, volunteers, donors, staff, and other community partners to alleviate the suffering caused by poverty and to rectify the conditions that perpetuate it.

The organization is trying to receive funding in the stimulus package. Charitable sources have drying from foundations and general public, Corporate sectors they like others are cutting budgets, staffs, and hours of operations. The organization serves 5,000 people every month with supplemental groceries. There has been a 20% increase in the number of households being served.

Issues

1. The economy how it affects low income people
2. Housing for low income people
3. There has been a spike in Homelessness
4. Hunger

METRORAIL

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Issues/Goals:

Looks at mass transit is a means of addressing poor air quality
There is a need for the development of priority bus corridors
The economic climate may cause fair increases in 2010
Wants the media to try not to scare people about swine flu and mass transportation
Tell people how to get around a problem on Metro Rail
Track work will always be on the weekends

Eunice Kennedy Shriver Nat Institute Child Health

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Congress has renamed the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development at the National Institutes of Health in honor of Eunice Kennedy Shriver for her essential contribution to the institute's founding.
Established in 1963, the institute is now called the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD).

Issues:

1. Infant Mortality US ranks 26th has dropped in the district higher with African Americans
2. Childhood Obesity it is a pandemic in adults and children 18% of children prone to chronic illness.
3. Pre-mature births babies born too soon and too small 16% are born premature in DC
4. The organization would like stations promote their "Fit for Life" program

D.C. Aids/HIV Agency

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There is a severe epidemic in the DC Metro Area. The percentage rate is 3%. Any percent of 1% or greater is an epidemic. The total US population with HIV is 1%. Statistics are higher within ethnic groups. Social marketing and changing behavior is needed.

1. 70% of people say they do not use condoms
2. People don't know their HIV status
3. 50% of people who are HIV positive surveyed said they are intimate with other people

The organization is trying to change behavior, increase testing and make HIV awareness a normal part of health care, promoting condom use and relationships communication with their partners.

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The department is the primary law enforcement agency in the County. Our goals and responsibilities are to protect the lives and property our citizens and residents, and businesses by disrupting disorder and reducing the opportunity for individuals to commit crimes. With the apprehension of persons suspected of committing crimes and the effective investigation of criminal acts, we are key contributors to maintaining a peaceful and orderly community that is consistent with the high quality of life in Prince George's County. The Department is committed to these goals and committed to working closely with the community to accomplish them.

Issues:

Maintaining transparency

Need to provide information to the general public

Challenges despite sustained reduction in crime still face crime issues. There are new criminals as a result of the economic situation. Crime especially cyber crime is evolving

Needs media to continue to work with the community

Provide balanced reporting in relation to crime/police department in the county

Metropolitan Boys and Girls Club

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Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington is an affiliate of Boys & Girls Clubs of America. They have been helping youth for 117 years. The clubs are designed to meet the needs of the communities they serve. From public schools to public housing, Clubs throughout the metropolitan area come in a variety of shapes and sizes. Some are full-service, self-sustaining facilities; some operate out of two-plus bedroom apartments in public housing complexes; and some share space with high schools and elementary schools. The opportunities they give young people allow them to dream again. The staff, supported by a dedicated group of volunteers, shows kids how to turn those dreams into a reality through planning, education and hard work.

The Metropolitan Boys and Girls Club is one of the largest youth providers in the area.

Issues:

The current economic climate is compounding their debt. More than just sports the organization is changing its operating model by focusing on maintaining and training staff in the following areas:

1. Education & Career development
2. Character Leadership
3. Health and Life Skills
4. Sports, Fitness and Recreation
5. The Arts, Gang Prevention, Childhood Obesity, Teen Safe Driving,

Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments

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COG is a regional organization of Washington area local governments. COG is comprised of 21 local governments surrounding our nation's capital, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures, the U.S. Senate, and the U.S. House of Representatives. COG provides a focus for action and develops sound regional responses to such issues as the environment, affordable housing, economic development, health and family concerns, human services, population growth, public safety, and transportation.

Founded in 1957, COG is an independent, nonprofit association. It is supported by financial contributions from its participating local governments, federal and state grants and contracts, and donations from foundations and the private sector. Policies are set by the full membership acting through its board of directors, which meets monthly to discuss area issues. The COG mission is to enhance the quality of life and competitive advantages of the Washington metropolitan region in the global economy by providing a forum for consensus building and policy-making; implementing intergovernmental policies, plans, and programs; and supporting the region as an expert information resource.

Issues:

In a survey conducted by the council (focus groups and telephone) residents want quality schools, safe streets, Health care; good jobs and reducing emissions are important issues.

Community Business Partnerships

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CBP is a complete resource center providing training and support to those seeking to build successful small business in Fairfax County and beyond. Created in 1995, the Partnership (a non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization) was formed in response to an identified need for small business technical assistance and financing services, particularly to low-moderate income and disadvantaged individuals, including minorities, women and the disabled. While providing high quality training and counseling to all small businesses, the Partnership seeks to provide a financing alternative to benefit those unable to attract a commercial loan or other traditional source of funds. Several key organizations within Fairfax County collaborated to form the Partnership and support the programs it offers. Each holds a seat on the board of directors, providing guidance and outreach into the communities it serves. They include: The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, The Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, George Mason University, The Small Business Commission, Northern Virginia Community College and The Northern Virginia Urban League. The overall mission is to foster entrepreneurship.

Issues:

There is an upswing of unemployed people inquiring about starting a small business. They average 280 training classes per year.

1. Funding during tough economic times
2. Getting loans funded or small business owners (35K or less) from HUD
3. Would like to see more local news stories
4. Looking for the business to support them in-kind

Non-Profit Roundtable

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The Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington brings nonprofit leaders together in order to effectively address issues that affect our community. Their mission is to build the strength, influence, and visibility of the nonprofit sector in Greater Washington. More than 150 members represent the broad diversity of the Greater Washington region's nonprofit sector. Service providers, advocacy organizations, and foundations all have a seat at the Roundtable and a role in shaping and advancing our common agenda.

Their members guide the Roundtable's work by identifying issues and developing solutions. The skills, knowledge, and experience of the members allow the organization to forge strategies that work for residents throughout the region. At the same time, the Roundtable serves its members by giving them opportunities to become more effective leaders. They also seek out new ways to strengthen social issue advocacy in the region.

1. The downturn in grants increase of demand as unemployment rate rises
2. There are 8,000 non profits in the area half are local
3. At most organizations there is a need for volunteers to replace reduction in in b paid staff

More coverage of non profits and issues

More coverage the impact of non profit programs in our community

Integration of non profit in main stream stories

District Alliance for Safe Housing

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The mission of the District Alliance for Safe Housing, Inc. (DASH) is to ensure access to safe and sustainable refuge for victims of domestic violence through the development and management of safe housing and related services, while increasing the capacity of other community-based organizations to expand housing for victims throughout the District of Columbia. DASH is addressing the overwhelming lack of housing and social services for victims of domestic violence and their children in the District by providing safety and necessary resources. DASH helps women and children rebuild their lives on their own terms. DASH has the following three goals:

Develop safe housing for domestic violence victims and their families to ensure safety from violence and promote living without fear of abuse;

Deliver targeted housing resources to victims and their families to improve access to safe, affordable housing; and,

Provide training and technical assistance among community-based programs to increase safe housing for victims and enhance the overall well-being and safety for women and children in the District.

Due to confidentiality issues a lot of the work and services are conducted behind the scenes. The majority of women in the homeless system are victims of domestic violence.

Issues:

The region is experiencing an increase of domestic violence due to the economy. Women are staying in the program longer due to lack in employment opportunities and affordable safe housing

The resources are too few to meet the rising need there are so few emergency shelter beds the system. They will be completely full in 30 days. The majority of victims are staying in hotels.

There is a need for developing transitional housing options. Their 2-year goal is to Help Women secure leases with a 2 year rental subsidy.

Fannie Mae

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Fannie Mae is a government-sponsored enterprise (GSE) chartered by Congress with a mission to provide liquidity and stability to the U.S. housing and mortgage markets. Fannie Mae operates in the U.S. secondary mortgage market. Rather than making home loans directly with consumers, we work with mortgage bankers, brokers, and other primary mortgage market partners to help ensure they have funds to lend to home buyers at affordable rates. We fund our mortgage investments primarily by issuing debt securities in the domestic and international capital markets. Fannie Mae has three businesses - Single-Family, Housing and Community Development, and Capital Markets - that work together to provide services, products, and solutions to lender partners and a broad range of housing partners. Together, these businesses contribute to the company's chartered mission objectives, helping to increase the total amount of funds available in America to make homeownership and rental housing more available and affordable

1. Foreclosure prevention 1 in 159 homes have receive notices
2. Communicate options to people who are being foreclosed on
3. Encourage people to talk to lender and how to avoid scams
4. There are success stories that need to be told

Locally 1 in 50 homes is in foreclosure. Empty homes invite crime. They devalue neighborhoods and shrink the tax base.

5 Homelessness is a crisis for his community no safe affordable place o i.e. need to develop affordable housing and support services to help he emerge from the crisis.

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1. Scams & Identity theft
2. Deceptive phone call (like your car warranty is about expire or Free Credit Report .com)

Food & Friends

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The mission of Food & Friends is to foster a community caring for men, women, and children living with HIV/AIDS, cancer, and other life-challenging illnesses by preparing and delivering specialized meals and groceries in conjunction with nutrition counseling. Partnerships and collaborations are vital to their success, both inside and outside the organization, as the organization builds communities that invest in the welfare of others. At every level of operation and public engagement - from food planning and preparation to nutrition education and workshops, from volunteer coordination to special events— They are committed to the highest standards of quality and excellence.

The organization has home-delivered a million clinically-appropriate meals to 3,000 people with serious illnesses and now includes individuals with HIV/AIDS, cancer and advanced neurological disorders. 3% of the DC population is infected with the HIV AIDS virus as the numbers increase so does the demand for food and friends. There are unmet needs within other segments like those with Alzheimer's and chronic diabetes. The organization relies on a volunteer base of 13,000 people.

A-Span

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A-SPAN (The Arlington Street People's Assistance Network) supports people who are homeless, living on the streets or facing homelessness. They provide supportive services in Arlington County that include Outreach, Employment Counseling, Case Management, Permanent Supportive Housing, Opportunity Place and The Homeless Bagged Meal Program.

A-SPAN has provided services to 940 homeless people over the past year. During that time, A-SPAN prevented 14 people from being evicted and helped an additional 15 people secure permanent housing. Fifty-two people secured employment, while 148 received medical services.

A-SPAN started with two women taking food to the streets to feed the hungry, and has grown to a network of over a 1,000 volunteers, including faith communities, service club members, government agencies and businesses.